

American children live in a home with at least one unlocked, loaded firearm.

The Kimberly Vaughan Firearm Safe Storage Act encourages responsible firearm storage to make our communities safer. This legislation would require the Department of Justice to establish and publish voluntary best practices for safe firearm storage. It requires a label or notice on most firearms at purchase that says, "Safe Storage Saves Lives" and includes the website where the Department of Justice's best practices can be found. It also requires Federal Firearms Licensees (FFLs) to have compatible safe storage devices available for purchase for every handgun, rifle, or shotgun that they sell. The bill authorizes \$10 million in grants every year for 10 years to state, local, and tribal governments to distribute safe firearm storage devices. Finally, this legislation incorporates the Prevent Family Fire Act, authored by Congressman MIKE LEVIN, which establishes a 10 percent tax credit to FFLs for safe storage devices sold for up to \$400 to encourage the sale of these devices.

I ask my colleagues to join me in keeping our children safe from unsecured firearms by supporting this important legislation.

CONGRATULATING ELDON HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAMS 1980 TO 1996 INDUCTION INTO MSHOF

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize Missouri's Third District Eldon High School Volleyball teams from 1980 to 1996 in my home district for being inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame. This accomplishment is not one to be taken lightly and reflects the Eldon community dedication to youth athletics and the sport of volleyball.

Their induction into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame is a testament to the impact Eldon High School Volleyball has made on high school sports in Missouri. One of the best eras in Missouri high school sports history running from 1980 to 1996 with an astounding 14 district titles in this span of time and eight straight final four berths also winning the Class 3 state title in 1991. Eleven different players received AllState recognition and Coach Ann Gulshen has been inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Famer.

You likely will not find a team more deserving of this tremendous achievement. The impact it has made on high school sports in Missouri cannot go unnoticed.

Madam Speaker please join me in congratulating Eldon High School's Volleyball teams from 1980 to 1996 for being inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame.

IN HONOR OF THE RETIREMENT OF GRAHAM MEDIA GROUP PRESIDENT AND CEO EMILY BARR

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize President and Chief Executive Officer Emily L. Barr on the occasion of her retirement from Graham Media Group after a decade of stellar work. Her service to our community is worthy of commendation.

A native of Massachusetts, Mrs. Barr's career has been nothing short of exemplary. She began her career in broadcasting in 1980 as a news editor in St. Paul, Minnesota, before working as a writer and producer at a station in Washington, D.C. Until 1988, Mrs. Barr served as the Director of Creative Services and Advertising and Promotion Manager at KHOU-TV in Houston, Texas. In 1988, she became the Director of Broadcast Operations and Programming at WMAR-TV in Baltimore, Maryland. Later, she led the ABC-owned station in Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina as the President and General Manager before she became President and General Manager of ABC 7 Chicago. In 2012, Mrs. Barr joined Graham Media Group, which includes WDIV Detroit, as the President and Chief Executive Officer. Her work propelled Graham Media Group to evolve from a broadcast-based model to seven local media hubs. She led the acquisition of top social media software, and developed Graham Digital, a digital media and technology development group in Detroit. Her fierce dedication to her work has transformed Graham Media Group to represent nearly 7 percent of coverage in the United States.

As a leader in our community, Mrs. Barr's work did not end in the broadcasting space. She has been a leader for women wherever she has been and has supported civic causes throughout her career. At home, she led city-wide efforts to raise funds for the Haitian earthquake relief effort and serves on the Board of Trustees at her alma mater, Carleton College in Minnesota. Mrs. Barr is also the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Broadcaster of the Year Award, the Vincent T. Wasilewski Broadcaster of the Year Award, the Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award, the Golden Mike Award, and holds an Honorary Doctorate from Robert Morris University. Amongst this, she has been inducted into the Silver Circle of the Chicago/Midwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences and will be elected to the Broadcasting & Cable Hall of Fame this Spring. Mrs. Barr currently resides with her husband Scott and two daughters in Chicago.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mrs. Emily Barr for her outstanding career. She has led with compassion and integrity, ensuring the success of Graham Media Group and has been an innovative leader in media for over two decades and who truly cares about the Midwest. I join with Mrs. Barr's family, friends, and colleagues in extending my best wishes to her in retirement.

HONORING THE WILTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ON THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate the Wilton Volunteer Fire Department on the 75th anniversary of its founding. This fire department has shown tremendous dedication to protecting and serving the town of Wilton as well as the surrounding municipalities in Saratoga County.

The Wilton Volunteer Fire Department held their first unofficial meeting, comprised of twenty members, on September 17, 1947. The Wilton Town Board then approved a committee of six commissioners, who held their first charter meeting on October 1, 1947. Despite limited funding and resources, Wilton's first group of volunteers overcame these obstacles and soon raised enough funds to purchase their first truck, a 1944 United States Navy vehicle that had been in service in WWII and became known as "713."

In the years that followed, the Department grew and evolved within the community but never lost touch with their history. Today, Truck 713 is still proudly displayed at the main station, though it has been retired from active service. The Department has now expanded its fleet to include a variety of modern vehicles capable of responding to any emergency.

The Department now employs an extremely diverse group of members. Still relying exclusively on volunteers, members range in age from teenage recruits to veteran members, some of whom have been on the job since nearly the beginning. William E. Morgan is the longest serving member in the Department's history with sixty-seven years of firefighting in Wilton under his belt. Mr. Morgan, along with the rest of the Wilton volunteer firefighters, serve their community exceptionally. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I am honored to recognize and thank the Wilton Volunteer Fire Department on their 75th anniversary.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF CSM (RET.) IOAKIMO "NIKO" FALANIKO

HON. AUMUA AMATA COLEMAN RADEWAGEN

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Mrs. RADEWAGEN. Madam Speaker, I rise to remember the life and service of Command Sergeant Major (Retired) Ioakimo Falaniko from my home district of American Samoa. CSM Falaniko passed away Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at the age of 67.

CSM Falaniko served his country as a combat engineer for over 30 years, entering the Army in 1976 and retiring in December of 2008.

His assignments included: Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Fort Bliss, Texas; and Fort Lewis, Washington; as well as several tours in Germany, Korea, and Iraq.